

NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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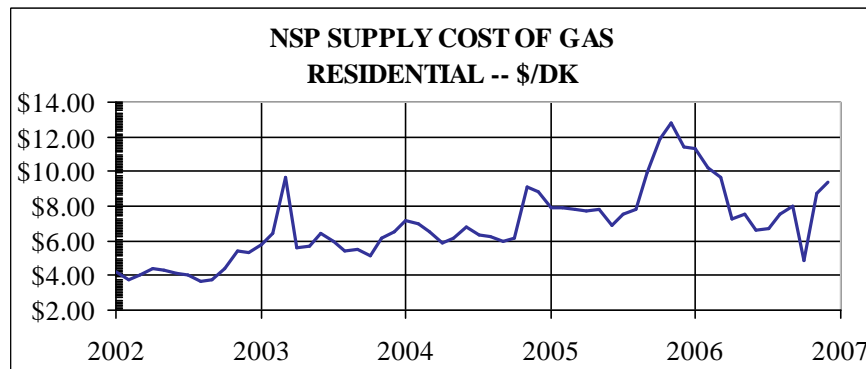
**Northern States Power Company
December 2006
Cost of Gas Adjustment**

**PU-06-504
Filed 11/29/2006**

SUMMARY:

NSP is increasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$0.6477 per dekatherm (dK) compared to last month. This gas adjustment will be applied to natural gas used by NSP residential customers on and after December 1, 2006. This filing changes the residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$8.7309 per dK to \$9.3786 per dK.

For residential consumption of 14.3 dk (representative of December), the cost of gas in the bill will be approximately \$9.26 higher than last month and \$29.23 lower than December 2005. As of December 31, 2005, NSP served 36,233 residential gas customers, and a total of 42,531 gas customers, in Fargo, Grand Forks and surrounding communities.



The increase for residential customers results from:

- \$0.6996 per dk increase in the commodity cost of gas; and
- \$0.0519 per dk decrease in interstate pipeline costs.

The increase in commodity costs is attributed to seasonal price fluctuations from anticipated winter demand.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the EIA website: <http://www.eia.doe.gov>.

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I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's Cost of Gas Adjustment for December 2006, Case No. PU-06-504.

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